GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2054
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INFRASTRUCTURAL FACILITIES AT SABARIMALA PILGRIM CENTRE
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

he details of steps initiated to make available required forest land at Pampa near Sabarimala Pilgrim Centre to make infrastructural facilities and shelter for the Pilgrims?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI DILIP SINGH JU DEV)

A proposal has been received in the Ministry of Environment and Forests directly from the Secretary, Tranvancore Devaswom Board, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, in respect of certain developmental activities to be undertaken for Sabarimala Pilgrims. No action on this proposal can be taken as it does not meet the requirements of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. According to the said Act, all such proposals must be sent by the State Government to this Ministry along withthe necessary documents and recommendations. The proposal, therefore, has been closed.